

## **2.00 Commencement of Action, Service of Process, and Scheduling of Cases**

**2.03 Process, Attachment, Trustee Process, Arrest.** The summons, Small Claims Notice of Suit, Language Assistance Notice, and all other required documents shall be served together. The most current version of the forms are located on the Judiciary's website at [www.courts.ri.gov](http://www.courts.ri.gov) under the heading of Public Resources, Forms. The cost assessed to a defendant shall not exceed the cost established by G.L. § 9-29-9. For purposes of service of process upon corporations and on persons outside of the State of Rhode Island, subsections (D)(3) and (E), respectively, shall apply.

- (G) *Service by Publication.* Whenever in an action described in subdivision (F) of this rule complete service cannot with due diligence be made by another prescribed method, the court shall order service by publication of a notice of the action in one or more newspapers in such form and for such length of time as the court shall direct. If a statute expressly provides for service of process by publication, publication shall be in the form and manner provided by such statute.